## **PART VIII**

### CORPORATE CHALLENGE BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Corporate Challenge initiative was created as a sub-component of The Mayor's Health and Fitness Challenge program in an effort to target the Miami-Dade County Corporate Community.

With so many corporations taking a key interest in the health and well being of their employees, the Corporate Challenge aimed to partner with seven (7) select companies in Miami-Dade County to increase employee awareness in the areas of health, fitness, and nutrition. The Corporate Challenge provided an incentive based program that encouraged partnering companies to develop worksite wellness programs and promote the Mayor's Health and Fitness Challenge events and activities. For those companies who already had worksite wellness programs in place, the Corporate Challenge aimed to increase enrolment numbers and maintain employee interest through a fun, interactive, and educational series of health screening events, fitness demos, prizes, giveaways, and raffles.

The Corporate Challenge was designed to exploit a mutual interest between corporations and their employees. For corporations interested in reducing the cost associated with employee absenteeism, the Corporate Challenge served as a mechanism to be seen as proactive in responding to these health concerns while exploring creative alternatives to promoting healthier living options. Furthermore, because employees often attribute poor health to stress associated with work, the Corporate Challenge provided a stress free environment that helped employees better understand their health needs while increasing company morale.

Each corporation participating in the Corporate Challenge agreed to host a series of health fair like events in their corporate buildings for a period of four (4) months leading up to the Mayor's Health and Fitness Challenge culminating event on June 19, 2004, entitled "Winners for Life". Each health-screening event was designed to be fun, entertaining, and informative and focused on the central theme of the Mayor's Challenge to "Get Fit, Eat Right, and Chill Out." Furthermore, each event featured the health-screening component consistent with all Mayor's Health and Fitness Challenge main events and activities. Employees were encouraged to track their body mass index, weight, and blood pressure, as well as to participate in a featured monthly interactive demonstration and lecture series.

### CORPORATE CHALLENGE PROPOSAL OVERVIEW

# Sub-challenge aimed at the corporate community of Miami-Dade County

- Engage the community's business leaders
- Promote employee participation
- Partnering companies have the opportunity to provide their employees with a coordinated fitness program\
- Expand upon existing wellness programs

## **Corporate Challenge Goals**

- Promote health and fitness throughout the corporate community.
- Introduce corporate employees to a wide variety of options for maintaining a healthier lifestyle.
- Promote Mayor's Health and Fitness Challenge activities and main event schedule to corporate employees.

 Conduct health screenings and register employees to the Mayor's Health and Fitness Challenge database while encouraging them to monitor their progress.

Each Corporate "Fitness Focus" event will be administered monthly in each of the participating companies designated host site.

Fitness Focus events will be **fun**, **informative**, **educational** and interactive. They will be conducted through a program manager designated by each participating corporation.

All events will have special **promotions and giveaways** including: T-shirts, water bottles, gym memberships, Zumba Videos, Omron equipment (BMI/ % body fat reader, walking pedometers), and Oleomed products.

## **Corporations Received:**

- Coordinated Health Program (Informative, Educational and Interactive) seminars.
   Program includes: cooking demos, interactive fitness demos and stress reduction
   Features include: Zumba Salsa Aerobics & Tai Chi Classes
- Monthly Employee Health Screenings (Height, Weight, Body Mass Index Body Fat, Blood Pressure)
- Monthly Raffle and Giveaways for Employees

### CORPORATE CHALLENGE PATNERS AND HOSTS SITES

The Mayors Challenge approached seven (7) corporations in Miami-Dade County to implement: The Corporate Challenge Initiative. The partnership between these corporations and the Initiative came at no expense to each corporate partner, rather, each corporation was asked to take a proactive role in assigning staff and resources to oversee and help implement the program within their respective organizations. Two (2) main criteria for partnership included the designation of a corporate host site for each partner, as well as, the assignment of an internal program manager within each host site. Partnering corporations included the following companies:

- Bellsouth
- American Airlines
- Burger King
- Jackson Memorial Hospital
- Comcast
- Wachovia Financial Center
- United States Postal Service
- Univision Network

## **Corporate Challenge Host Sites Profiles**

The following section contains an overview of the activities and events respective to each corporate host site. Included in each corporate profile are the following:

### **Host Site**

The specific designated location for each Corporate Challenge event.



# **Program Coordinator**

The corporate coordinator assigned to manage the program internally within each corporate host site. Corporate coordinators are all employees of their respective partnering company.

#### **Event Dates**

The specific event dates for each Corporate Challenge event within each respective host site. Each event was designed to help employees monitor their BMI, % body fat, blood pressure, and weight.

### **Estimated Total Participation**

This number includes and is the sum of total employees who attended internal company events, employees who registered or participated in internal company promotions and giveaways, and employees who, as a result of our initiative, contacted us, visited our website, or requested further information on health and fitness resources.

## **Employees Registered**

This number is limited to the number of employees who filled out a registration form and opted to track their stats throughout the duration of the program.

## **Highlights**

A snapshot of events and activities that occurred throughout the Corporate Challenge Program within each respective host site.

#### \*\*American Airlines

Host Site: Miami International Airport Auditorium,

901 Ponce de Leon Blvd. Concourse A

Suite 800 Program Coordinator: Mike Navarro
Coral Gables, Florida 33134 Event Dates: March 9, April 13, May 18
Phone: 305.520.3200 Estimated Total Participation: 500
Employees Registered: 157

Highlights: health screenings, Tai Chi demos, Marlins Ticket promotion for June 19<sup>th</sup> Event, Zumba video

Senior Vice President giveaways, Salsa Aerobics demos

### BellSouth

150 W. Flagler St. Host Site: West Dade Building (600 NW 97<sup>th</sup> Ave)

Suite 1901 Program Coordinator: Patricia Rondon

Miami, Florida 33130 Event Dates: February 26, March 16, April 13, May 11

Phone: 305.347.5418 Estimated Total Participation: 570

Joseph P. Lacher Employees Registered: 190

Highlights: health screenings, stress management lecture & Tai Chi demo, Zumba video giveaway and

President demo, Marlins Ticket Promotion for June 19<sup>th</sup> Event

<sup>\*\*</sup> Stars denote companies with existing worksite wellness program prior to the Corporate Challenge Program.

## \*\*Burger King

5505 Blue Lagoon Drive

Miami, Florida 33126 Phone: 305.378.7741

Brad Blum CEO Host Site: Burger King Headquarters, Cafeteria

Auditorium

Program Coordinator: Rebecca Johnson (Health and

Fitness Supervisor)

Event Dates: February 27, March 26, April 30, May 21

Estimated Total Participation: 250

Employees Registered: 80

Highlights: yoga and massage, health screenings, gym

membership promotion

## Wachovia Financial Center

200 S. Biscayne Blvd.

Miami, Florida 33131 Phone: 305.373.3400

CBRE (Real Estate Manger)

Timothy Prunka

Sr. Vice President

Host Site: Building Plaza

Program Coordinator: Lissette Gonzalez (Steel Hector &

Davis), Sean McNamara (CBRE)
Event Dates: March 19, April 16, May 14
Estimated Total Participation: 600
Employees Registered: 213

Highlights: Zumba in the Plaza, New Miami City Club Health Menu for Corp Execs, Kick-off Press Conference, Marlins Ticket Promotion for June 19<sup>th</sup> event, Downtown

Athletic Club Gym promotion

### **Univision Network**

9405 NW 41 Street Miami, FI 33178 Phone: 305.471.3902

Angela Ramos

**Director of Community Affairs** 

Host Site: Building Cafeteria

Program Coordinator: Rosa Lamazares

**Event Dates: June 14** 

Estimated Total Participation: 600

Employees Registered: 123

Highlights: Pfizer's "Sana La Rana" cholesterol screening, Zumbando con Kellogg's giveaways and interactive class, Cooking demonstrations by Chef Joel

### **United States Postal Service**

2200 NW 72 Avenue Miami, FL 33152 Phone: 305.470.0402 Host Site: General Mail Facility Cafeteria Program Coordinator: Dottie Johnson Event Dates: May 4, May 5, May 20 Estimated Total Participation: 500

**Employees Registered: 113** 

Highlights: Pfizer's "Sana La Rana" cholesterol

screening, free nutritional consultations

## Comcast

2501 SW 145<sup>th</sup> Avenue Host Site: 2151 West 62<sup>nd</sup> Street, Hialeah, FL 33016-Miramar, FL 33027 Events 1 & 2

2501 SW 145<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Miramar, FL 33027 Phone: 305.770.5316 Program Coordinator: Donnetta Copeland Jeanie A. Hernandez

Event Dates: February 26, March 17, April 29, May 26 Area Community Relations & Public Affairs Director

Estimated Total Participation: 200

Employees Registered: 75

Highlights: Zumba classes, Zumbando con Kelloggs

video giveaway, health screenings

# Miami-Dade County

Stephen P. Clark Center Host Site: Government Center Central Lobby

111 NW 1<sup>st</sup> Street Program Coordinator: Marylin Rev

Event Dates: October 14, November 25, March 26, April

Miami, FI 33128-1994 George Burgess Estimated Total Participation: 4,500 County Manager Employees Registered: 750

Highlights: health screenings, prize giveaways, S.A.K

Foundation Hip Hop Aerobics, Tai Chi Classes, Tony The Tiger & Zumbando con Kelloggs dancers, free messages

by Corporate Body, free nutritional consultations

# \*\*Jackson Memorial Hospital

Host Site: Diagnostic Treatment Center 1611 NW 12 Ave Miami. FI 33136 Program Coordinator: Alan Smith

Phone: 305 585-6754 Event Dates: February, 19, March 30, April 27, May 28

Estimated Total Participation: 600 Marvin O'Quinn President, CEO **Employees Registered: 168** 

> Highlights: Video Conferencing Zumba Classes to Jackson South, Tai Chi interactive seminars, promotional giveaways

### CORPORATE CHALLENGE KICK-OFF EVENT

The Mayor's Health Fitness Challenge kicked off the Corporate Challenge with a press event in Downtown Miami. The press event was a corporate lunch designed to attract top CEO's and encourage them to motivate their employees to participate in the Corporate Challenge.

The Miami City Club, located on the 50th floor of the Wachovia Building, hosted the luncheon. The luncheon at the Miami City Club was limited to City Club members/quests, Mayor's Corporate Challenge participants, staff, media and special invitees. At the press conference, Mayor Alex Penelas along with Health Foundation of South Florida CEO, Dr. Steve Marcus and Corporate Challenge Co-Chair, Jorge Luis Lopez announced their commitment to promote health, fitness, and health living.

In addition, and as part of the kick-off event, a free health-screening seminar was conducted at the lobby of the building and it was open to the general public. The lobby event was designed to register new Challenge participants and to provide an analysis of the four Challenge measurements (weight, body mass index (BMI), body fat, and blood pressure). Up-coming Mayor's Health and Fitness Challenge events were promoted and special incentives/giveaways were provided to all participants.

# Panelists and Event Speakers Included:

The Honorable Mayor Alex Penelas, Miami-Dade County

The Honorable Sally A. Heyman, Miami-Dade County Commissioner, District 4

Dr. Steve Marcus, President & CEO, Health Foundation of South Florida

Vivian Donnell Rodriguez, Director, Miami-Dade County Parks and Recreation Department

Nancy Humbert, Ex Deputy Director, Miami-Dade County Health Department

Jorge Luis Lopez, Steel Hector and Davis

# **Guest Appearances:**

Jenny De Guzman (National Spokeswoman), Zumba Salsa Aerobics Team Tony the Tiger, Kellogg Company







